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--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Immediately preceding the sentence beginning on page 7, line 24, please insert the subtitle:

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--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--.

Immediately preceding the sentence ending on page 8, line 17, please insert the subtitle:

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--DETAILED DESCRIPTION--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 60-65 and otherwise amend the claims as follows:

In claim 3, please delete "or claim 2";

In claim 5, delete "or 4";

In claim 7, delete "2, 3, 4, 5 and 6,";

In claim 8, delete "claims 1 to 7" and replace with --claim 1--;

In claim 9, delete "claims 1 to 8" and replace with --claim 1--;

In claim 15, delete "13 or 14,";

In claim 16, delete "13, 14 or 15,";

In claim 17, delete "any one of claims 11 to 16" and replace with --claim 11--; and

In claim 19, delete "any one of claims 11 to 18" and replace with --claim 11--.

Please amend claim 21 as follows:

21. (Amended) A [Cochlear implant prosthesis comprising a] signal processor according to [any one of claims 11 to 20] claim 11 in combination with a Cochlear implant prosthesis.

In claim 24, please delete "or 23";

In claim 25, delete "23 or 24,";

In claim 27, delete " or 26";

In claim 28, delete "decodes" and replace with --according--;

In claim 28, delete "26 or 27,";

In claim 29, delete "claims 22 to 28" and replace with --claim 22--;

In claim 31, delete "or 30";

In claim 33, delete "31 or 32,";

In claim 35, delete "31, 32, 33 or 34";

In claim 36, delete "any one of claims 22 to 35" and replace with --claim 22--;

In claim 41, delete "39 or 40";

In claim 42, delete "any one of claims 37 to 41," and replace with
--claim 37--; and

In claim 44, delete "or 43".

Please amend claim 45 and 46 as follows:

45. (Amended) A circuit according to claim [44 when indirectly dependent on claim 38, 39 or 40,] 38, further comprising means controllable by the user of the prosthesis for adjusting the frequency response of the tone control and a user control for controlling signal amplitude, wherein the [or each] subtractor has the control input for controlling signal amplitude.

46. (Amended) An aural prosthetic device comprising an audio signal processor; said audio signal processor comprising a tone control circuit [according to any one of claims 37 to 45] operating in current mode; said tone control circuit comprising a plurality of MOS transistors operating in weak inversion.

In claim 52, please delete "or 51";

In claim 53, delete "51 or 52,";

In claim 56, delete "any one of claims 50 to 55" and replace with --claim 50--;

In claim 57, delete "any one of claims 50 to 56" and replace with --claim 50--; and